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decision from the Regional Administrator that the request for reconsideration was denied. A complete copy of the appeal must be sent to the Regional Administrator at the time the appeal is made. The appeal shall contain a clear and concise statement of the issues and points of fact in the case. It also may contain additional information from the owner or operator, or from any other person. The EPA Administrator may request additional information from the owner or operator, or from any other person. The EPA Administrator shall render a decision as rapidly as practicable and shall notify the owner or operator of the decision.

[59 FR 34098, July 1, 1994, as amended at 65 FR 40798, June 30, 2000; 66 FR 34560, June 29, 2001; 67 FR 47151, July 17, 2002]

### § 112.21 Facility response training and drills/exercises.

(a) The owner or operator of any facility required to prepare a facility response plan under § 112.20 shall develop and implement a facility response training program and a drill/exercise program that satisfy the requirements of this section. The owner or operator shall describe the programs in the response plan as provided in § 112.20(h)(8).

(b) The facility owner or operator shall develop a facility response training program to train those personnel involved in oil spill response activities. It is recommended that the training program be based on the USCG's Training Elements for Oil Spill Response, as applicable to facility operations. An alternative program can also be acceptable subject to approval by the Regional Administrator.

(1) The owner or operator shall be responsible for the proper instruction of facility personnel in the procedures to respond to discharges of oil and in applicable oil spill response laws, rules, and regulations.

(2) Training shall be functional in nature according to job tasks for both supervisory and non-supervisory operational personnel.

(3) Trainers shall develop specific lesson plans on subject areas relevant to facility personnel involved in oil spill response and cleanup.

(c) The facility owner or operator shall develop a program of facility re-

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sponse drills/exercises, including evaluation procedures. A program that follows the National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP) (see appendix E to this part, section 13, for availability) will be deemed satisfactory for purposes of this section. An alternative program can also be acceptable subject to approval by the Regional Administrator.

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### § 112.22 Temporary Suspension of Response Planning Level Requirements to Support Deepwater Horizon Spill Response.

(a) *Applicability.* This section applies to any person who owns or operates—

(1) Any facility described in § 112.20 of this part, who has contracted with any oil spill removal organization (OSRO), as defined in § 112.2 of this part, where the OSRO's response resources, as required under 112.20(h)(3) and Appendix E, Sections 4.0 and 5.0, are deployed in support of the response to the Deepwater Horizon Spill of National Significance; and

(2) Any facility described in § 112.20 of this part, who owns, operates, or has under direct control, response resources, as required under 112.20(h)(3) and Appendix E, Sections 4.0 and 5.0, deployed in support of the response to the Deepwater Horizon Spill of National Significance.

(b) *Suspension of certain response planning level requirements.* From June 30, 2010 through December 31, 2010, facility response plan requirements relating to the identification of response equipment and its location and the stipulated response times, including the response times contained in any written contractual agreement with any OSRO, for the availability of response resources, as required under § 112.20(h)(3) and Appendix E, Sections 4.0 and 5.0, for a medium discharge as described in § 112.20(h)(5)(iii) of this part, and for a worst case discharge over 2,100 gallons as described under § 112.20(h)(5)(i), are suspended. Changes to facility response plans due to relocation of response equipment in support of the response to the Deepwater Horizon Spill of National Significance, do not require a revision under § 112.20(d).